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## . HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

HABS No. DC-271

## ARTHUR C. STANLEY HOUSE

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Location:

2370 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C.

UTM: 18.322010 .4803900

Present Owner:

The Reverend James B. Davis

Present Use:

Private residence

Statement of Significance:

This detached and unaltered dwelling of the late Beaux-Arts period was designed with an informal treatment of spaces in

the manner of a Jacobean country home.

# HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

A. Lot and Square: Square 2507, lot 829 (formerly 814 and 822). Lot 814 was previously lots 38 and 39; and lot 822 was previously lot 40.

B. Original and Subsequent Owners:

The original owner was Alice W. B. Stanley (1923-1972). She was the wife of Arthur Camp Stanley, who died in 1940. Mrs. Stanley later married The Reverend James B. Davis. Mrs. Davis died June 26, 1972. According to Deeds, Alice W. B. Stanley acquired lot 40 in 1923 and final title to lots 38 and 39 in 1932.

The date of erection was 1930; the architects, Smith and Edwards, of Washington, D. C., and the builder, Harry F. Boryer. The estimated cost of building was \$90,000.

City and Telephone Directories List:

1932-1940 Arthur C. Stanley

1941-1948 Mrs. Alice B. Stanley

1949 No listing found.

1950-1953 Camp Stanley, physician

1954-1972 Rev. James B. Davis

The Reverend James B. Davis continued as owner after 1972.

Known Plans, Drawings, Elevations, etc.: None found.

Important Old Views: None found.

Building Dimensions:

Stories: 3 plus basement and attic.

Height: 53'-0" to roof ridge.

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Bays: 4 composite bays on Massachusetts Avenue

Widths: main block 55'-0" on Mass. Ave. 41'-0" in depth

rear service wing 38'-6" at south (Rock Creek Park) 25'-0" in depth

#### Site Dimensions:

65'-9" on north (Mass. Ave.) 65'-9" on south (Rock Creek Park) 100'-0" on east and west

## Major Alterations:

No significant changes have been made.

## PROJECT INFORMATION

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